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Arizona Attorney General Mark Brnovich Clears Commissioner of Conflict of Interest Brnovich will Not Bring Action to Remove Commissioner Burns from Office

(Phoenix)---After a thorough investigation into a complaint against Corporation Commissioner Bob Burns, the Arizona Attorney General has concluded that there were no criminal or civil violations that would require Burns to be removed from office.

The AG's investigation found no evidence of any relationship between Burns and the Arizona Telecommunications and Information Council (ATIC) that would disqualify him in his position as Corporation Commissioner. It was determined that the listing was an administrative oversight. There is no evidence to indicate that he was ever paid by ATIC or lobbied as a representative.

Both the criminal and civil investigations are closed.

"I want to thank the Attorney General for the thoroughness of his investigation," said Commissioner Bob Burns. "This affirms what I have said all along. I am pleased with his findings and glad that this can now be put in the past, and it will no longer be a distraction to the important Commission work that is in front of us."